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**Melinda Harmon**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946

Education: Radcliffe 1969 AB; Texas 1972 JD

Began Service: 1989

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable John V. Singleton, Jr., United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1973-1975)

**Judicial:** Judge, Texas District Court, 280th Judicial District, Civil Division (1988-1989)

**Legal Practice:** Litigation Section, Exxon Company, United States of America (1975-1988)

**Current Memberships:** Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Nancy Benjamin** ..... (713) 250-5518  
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Education: Smith 1965 BA; NYU 1966 MA;  
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**Kenneth M. Hoyt**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948

Education: Texas Southern 1969 AB, 1972 JD

Began Service: April 1988

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Political Affiliation: Republican

**Academic:** Instructor, South Texas College of Law (1981-1982); Adjunct Professor, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Texas Southern University (1983-1984)

**Judicial:** Presiding Judge, Texas District Court, 125th Civil District (1981-1982); Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, First District (1985-1988)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Wickliff, King, Hoyt & Jones (1972-1975); Partner, Anderson, Hodge, Jones & Hoyt (1975-1979); Partner, Hoyt, Webster & Andrews (1979-1981); Private Practice (1983-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1972-1978)

**Current Memberships:** National Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Amos P. Davis** ..... (713) 250-5615  
Began Service: September 2010

Term Expires: September 2011

Education: Emory 2010 JD

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Education: Texas Southern 2001 JD

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**Lynn Nettleton Hughes**

District Judge

Education: Alabama 1963 BA; Texas 1966 JD; Virginia 1992 LLM

Began Service: December 17, 1985

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law (1973-2003); Advisor, European Community (1989); Chair, Board of Advisors, Houston Journal of International Law (1989-1999); Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Texas at Austin (1990-1991); Advisor, Republic of Moldova's Constitution (1993); Advisor, Romanian privatization (1997); Advisor, George Mason University (1999)

**Judicial:** Judge, 165th Judicial District of Texas (1979-1980); Judge, 189th Judicial District of Texas (1981-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1966-1972); Partner, Howard & Hughes (1973-1979)

**Current Memberships:** The American Law Institute; American Society for Legal History; Council on Foreign Relations; State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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Term Expires: 2011

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**Janis Graham Jack**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946

Education: Baltimore 1974 BA; South Texas 1981 JD

Began Service: March 14, 1994

Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Government:** Member, Board of Equalization, City of Corpus Christi, Texas

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1981-1994)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; National Association of Women Judges; Philosophical Society of Texas; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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Education: Cornell 2006 JD

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Education: UC Berkeley 2010 JD

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**Sim Lake**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944

Education: Texas A&M 1966 BA; Texas 1969 JD

Began Service: September 2, 1988

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Member, Chambers of Member Sim Lake III, Judicial Conference of the United States

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1969-1970); Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1972-1988)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1970-1971)

**Current Memberships:** The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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**Gray Hampton Miller**

District Judge

Education: Houston 1974 BA, 1978 JD

Began Service: May 2006

Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1978-1986); Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1986-2006)

**Current Memberships:** American Arbitration Association; American Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Bar Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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**John D. Rainey**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945

Education: Southern Methodist 1967 BBA, 1972 JD

Began Service: May 28, 1990

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Judicial:** Judge, Texas District Court, 149th Judicial District (1987-1990)

**Legal Practice:** Taylor, Mizell, Price, Corrigan & Smith (1973-1979); Partner, Gilbert, Gilbert & Rainey (1979-1982); Partner, Rainey & LeBoeuf (1982-1986)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1969-1970)

**Current Memberships:** State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas; Victoria County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Lee H. Rosenthal**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1952

Education: Chicago 1974 BA, 1977 JD

Began Service: 1992

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable John R. Brown, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1977-1978)

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Baker Botts L.L.P. (1978-1992)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Inns of Court; The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Benjamin Bireley** ..... (713) 250-5980  
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Term Expires: 2011

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Education: Duke 2008 JD

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Education: Texas 2001 SB, 2004 JD

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